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Comments on the Draft EIS: Yucca Mountain and High Level Radioactive Waste

| [The proposal to ship dangerous radioactive waste thousands of miles across the country for storage in one place in the state of Nevada demonstrates the disastrous policies of the government and the nuclear power industry in this country. Generating this waste in the first place without adequately planning for the consequences well-known to all nuclear physicists is short-sighted and irresponsible. To expect one state to shoulder the burden for the entire country is unfair and the potential consequences to the environment (water, air, etc.) in Nevada and surrounding states could be huge over the thousands of years of storage at this site.

A look at the proposed transportation routes shows transportation by truck on Los Angeles freeways, potentially affecting millions of people's lives and health in the event of an accident. These freeways run less than 5 miles from my home in Pasadena. Furthermore, transportation by t barge from the Diablo reactor along the California coast and offloading the waste from barge to truck on the coast north of Los Angeles poses hazards to the ocean environment and additional risk of accidents in the offloading process.

Native Americans oppose the desecration of their sacred lands at Yucca Mountain; Nevadans and citizens oppose using Western lands as a dumping ground; residents of metropolitan and rural areas oppose being exposed to the risks of contamination of their farms and cities during transportation of the deadly material.

I oppose this transportation and disposal plan, based in inadequate assurances of the safety of the environment as outlined in the EIS.]

Sincerely,  
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